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In reply refer to: NEOH Program (KEC-4)

To: People Interested in the Northeast Oregon Hatchery Program/  
Grande Ronde and Imnaha Spring Chinook Project

### **Project Update**

In January, Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville) and several partners held three public meetings on the Northeast Oregon Hatchery Program/Grande Ronde and Imnaha Spring Chinook Project. These meetings took place in Imnaha, Lostine, and La Grande. At the Lostine meeting, people expressed a desire to be kept informed of the project on a more regular basis. In response to this request, Bonneville will be holding informal workshops on the project to discuss concerns and keep people notified of the project's status. The first workshop occurred on March 14. During that meeting, we discussed the project. Participants asked questions or expressed concerns about these issues: effects on local surface and ground water, traffic impacts, water supply line routing, visual impact of the facilities, property values and coordination with local planning processes.

Participants also expressed a desire for future workshops near Lostine. Saturdays were the most convenient time for those who attended the workshop.

### **Next Workshop**

You are invited to attend the next workshop:

**April 27, 2002**

**Noon**

Former Geoff Hayword House  
64899 Granger Road  
Lostine, Oregon

The purpose of this workshop is to provide a project update and discuss concerns about Lostine facilities. We will also provide walk-throughs of the hatchery site. The former Geoff Hayword House is located six miles south of Lostine at the intersection of Granger and Lostine River Roads.

If you are not in the Lostine area and would like us to hold a workshop in your community, please let us know.

**For More Information**

Bonneville is beginning environmental studies for this project. We expect to have a Draft Environmental Impact Statement available for review this fall. If you have questions about the project or would like to suggest another workshop, please call me toll-free at 1-800-282-3713, at my direct number 503-230-3943, or send me an e-mail [jgmarcotte@bpa.gov](mailto:jgmarcotte@bpa.gov). Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jay Marcotte 4-3-2002

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